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Professor Joshua Lederberg
Department of Genetics
Stanford University Medical Center
Palo Alto, California

Dear Joshua:

I have just returned from vacation to find that our letters crossed in the mails.

I have arranged to have a 10 gram sample of 3-amino-1,2,4-triazole sent to you for your studies on purine metabolism in bacteria. I do not have at hand much information on this compound. It has been used as a herbicide and as a cotton defoliant. In animals it exhibits an anti-thyroid action and produces thyroid hyperplasia (T. H. Jukes and C. B. Shaffer, Science 132: 296, 1960).

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "R. R. Roepke".

R. R. Roepke
Chemical Pharmacology Department
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